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the Iowa State Conservation board; a Republican in politics, served as president of the Clayton county bar association for twenty years, and was prominently identified with agricultural interests.

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WARREN A. CALDWELL, legislator, died March 7, 1944, at Oskaloosa, Iowa; born January 17, 1886 in Mahaska county, Iowa; son of Alexander N. and Nancy Kathrine Stump Caldwell; attended Oskaloosa Schools and Penn college at Oskaloosa; married Isabel Hay at Washington, Iowa, on March 7, 1907, and entered the real estate business in Oskaloosa where he continued to reside; had an active part in the first Mahaska county paving bond election in which that county heavily endorsed the million dollar paving bond issue—one of the first southern Iowa counties to lead out in the paved road movement in the state; as a county supervisor he influenced the board's action in setting up most of the Mahaska county paved highways and introduced many administrative reforms in county business; active in state political circles and as state senator in the Thirty-ninth, Fortieth and Fortieth extra sessions of the Iowa General Assembly; introduced the first state gas tax bill which was vetoed by Governor Kendall, but it eventually became the law; also introduced the Iowa poison liquor act which became an important factor in prohibition enforcement before the national repeal act was effective; a member of the Presbyterian church, the Masonic order and a charter member of the Oskaloosa Rotary club.

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FRANK PLOWMAN WOODS, publisher, banker and former congressman from Iowa, died at his home in Pasadena, California, April 25, 1944; born near Sharon, Wis., Dec. 11, 1868; educated in the public schools and at Northern Indiana Normal school, Valparaiso, Ind.; with his parents removed to Estherville, Iowa, when he was 19 years of age, and worked in a newspaper office for two years; and for some time associated with others in the publication of the *Northern Vindicator* at Estherville. With his brothers he engaged in banking and in the mortgage loan business. He was chosen as Tenth district member of the Republican State Central committee and was its chairman in the campaign of 1906 which resulted in election of Gov. A. B. Cummins to a third term. In 1908 he was elected to membership in the Sixty-first congress, was re-elected and served in five terms of congress. While so serving he was chosen by his associates as chairman of the Republican National Congressional committee and was such during the first World War. In directing political affairs he had a happy faculty of uniting factions and securing harmony among his associates. About 25 years ago he located in Pasadena and with a brother engaged in real estate and loan business. He was an active Mason and a member of the Presbyterian church. He never married.

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